

## A Summer to Remember

This summer certainly has not passed blissfully for too many Torrance residents and home owners who have been caught in the integration storm involving the subdivision where they live.

Some of the residents immediately adjoining the focal point of CORE attacks cannot be blamed for likening their experiences to a nightmare while invading hordes of sympathizers and headline catchers turned their otherwise orderly neighborhood into disorder and set up an air of anxiety and fear.

Strangely, our conversations with some of the beleaguered home owners reveal, most of the people see the reasonableness of the idealism of some of the pickets and basically understand the plight of the American Negro. They do not think his cause is being well represented by the general demeanor and appearance of many of the demonstrators. In fact, some think it has been seriously harmed.

Praise is general for the enduring tolerance of the Torrance police department officers who have had the irritating and exhausting task of picking up and carrying the limp and prostrate bodies of scores of men and women who refused to walk to the paddy wagon after they had been told they were under arrest. According to witnesses the Torrance police, on many occasions under the competent leadership of Lt. Carmel Cook, patiently carried out their distasteful task in the hot sun with no cooperation from the offenders.

The Negro, in his long uphill fight to gain full and deserved rights in this country, needs the help and assistance of all conscientious Americans who know that those rights were established more than 100 years ago. Bad advice from some leaders and violence ordained by caucasian sympathizers, some of whom earn their living by preaching the gentle way of life, may set back this just cause for years to come.

Let us hope not, and that saner heads may prevail and the leaders of the desegregation movements may seek the wise counsel of many fine Negroes who are earning the respect of all by their example in living and personal achievement they are winning on their own against the same cruel odds that the color line has imposed on every innocent human who happens to have come into this life with a dark skin.

## Opinions of Others

A special presidential council on the Older American has concluded that the man or woman over 65 has become almost a second-class citizen. He may be hale and healthy, but he can't get insurance except at exorbitant rates, he can't get a job, he can't make his ideas known (except in higher professional levels), he is becoming more and more excluded from family councils, he is thrown into institutions and deprived of his liberty on the barest excuses. . . . All levels of government, private organizations and individuals need to do their share to restore these stalwarts of another day to first class citizenship.—*De Pere (Wisc.) Journal-Democrat.*

How many of us realize the vast returns we get from helping develop a strong community? Communities flourish because the people living there keep faith. People have not hesitated to make their initial investments. They invest in a home, in a business, in friendships, in living conditions. There are those who are short sighted and fail to see that a community needs keeping up just as surely as does a home.—*Odessa (Wash.) Record.*

We have freedom of the press and we must keep that right. In freedom, though, there is duty. It is the duty of the press to keep people informed. . . . In the long run . . . a free press is better than a muzzled one. It has to remain that way no matter how distasteful some news events are handled.—*Canton (N. C.) Enterprise.*

History is filled with the abysmal failures of dictators who resort to the overthrow of law as a cure-all for social ills. That's not for us. The law, in America, not only must remain supreme; it must be kept abreast of ever-changing times lest democracy be outdistanced by less responsible systems.—*Carlsbad (N. M.) Current-Argus.*

## LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By FRED NEHER



"Why am I wearing my guns? Gee whiz, yesterday you said you were going to teach us to draw."

## C'mon, Shoot It Out Now, Barry



ROYCE BRIER

## Caesar Called a Founder Of Western Civilization

Though he could not foresee it, Julius Caesar founded the civilization we have come to call Western.

He did this simply by intensifying the Graeco-Roman civilization in Spain, then carrying it entire to Gaul (France). In this he was pursuing his own power, and incidentally, Rome's.

But this unique turn of history had curious sequences, profound and visible 2,000 years later. Caesar had not the time, nor Rome the resources, to carry the civilization east of the Rhine. And for all his mighty energy, he was unable to plant the civilization in the British Isles, though he invaded them twice in 55-54 BC. This awaited centuries.

Britain was isolated by 20 miles of deep water, and Russia was terra incognita inhabited by nomads. For more than a millennium neither was more than tolerated by the then European civilization, which had incorporated middle Europe.

Much later the Americans came to make the civilization

truly Western, that is, westward of the old Graeco-Roman, though resting on its foundation.

But note that three critical segments of the Western civilization — America, Britain and Russia — are in a measure alien to continental Europe, where Caesar first founded the civilization. Partly this is geographical, but it is also economic, cultural, a way of looking at the world.

This is essentially what is in the mind of President de Gaulle when he speaks, as he did, of "the Anglo-Saxons (Americans and Britons) and Russia." The three powers are extra-European in his view, their goals and interests differ from the goals and interests of "Europeans." They pretend sympathy and concern for the welfare of "Europeans," even pretend to speak for them, but de Gaulle denies it all, and is particularly vehement that only "Europeans" can speak for Europe.

Millions of Europeans agree thoroughly with de Gaulle on this score. They have always

distrusted British power, and now distrust American and Soviet power.

But the corollary, natural to de Gaulle, that he and France fill this vacuum by speaking for Europeans, is another matter altogether. Here he founders on a Napoleonic delusion which is just as delusory in another time and setting.

In any case, this is de Gaulle's over-all position, partly valid for Europe, partly invalid. It begot his exclusion of Britain from the Common Market, and now his tentative repudiation of a nuclear test ban treaty. It shines through all his public pronouncements. It is providential, but quite in keeping with French (and much European) historical thinking.

The question is: is provincialism any longer sensible, in view of the range of a nuclear missile? Caesar is remembered because he was the most unprovincial man of ancient time. He thought in terms of Over the Horizon. Today there is still a horizon, clear and terrible, and there is something beyond it.

## From the Mailbox

By Our Readers

Editor, Torrance Herald:

I believe the newspapers of this area have been most unfair to our Torrance Police Department.

Last year, over 3,000 people settled in Torrance, and that is more than settled in all of Long Beach. Our Police Department has had to adjust to this influx of people and I, personally, I think they have done a great job.

Check our crime and traffic statistics with the rest of the nation, and they still have time to be kind, courteous, and helpful. I am proud of our police force and I am glad we live here, where my children and home are so well protected.

You convicted Chief Bennett and the force without even a trial; at least the wayward officers will get that much. How can you be so intolerant because of two rookies and one officer? Is your own profession so pure? Do your colleagues ALWAYS give "we the people" all of the facts, only the facts, and the absolute facts? There is, nearly always, a bad "apple" in every bush.

We take for granted the many officers, who, for so many years, have kept us so, comparatively, free of crime and traffic deaths. How many times have you, honestly, looked at a police officer with respect and the realization that he is the most underrated, unappreciated, and underpaid individual in our country? Everytime he puts on his uniform he makes a target of himself for some

"screwball" to take a pot shot at. How about some respect for this man? After all, he did catch his own.

Police officers are heroes to my children, and no one—but no one — can give them feet of clay.

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EDITOR'S COMMENT:

We should first say to Mrs. Carpenter and others who are concerned about the current Police Department investigation that our own profession does have its share of intolerant and wayward members. There are enough such people in any profession, be it law, journalism, or public service. But we at The HERALD make every effort to sift through the facts and reports in an effort to give all the people the facts and reasons behind any news story, and to interpret those facts to explain why, as well as how, things of this sort happen.

Secondly, we would refer Mrs. Carpenter to our own editorial on the Police Department, "A Need for Leadership" (July 25, 1963). In that editorial, we tried to make a clear point that the arrest of three officers calls for an examination of

the Police Department, and a conscious effort on behalf of all concerned to remedy any problems that may be uncovered.

We hope we have not conveyed an impression of convicting anyone before a trial; indeed, we are awaiting the results of the present investigation along with all other citizens of our community. When the facts are in, we shall report the results and let the people decide the issue. Until then, we, too, are in agreement with you, Mrs. Carpenter, that all are innocent until proven guilty. We do not, and will not, accept a guilty-by-association theory and condemn 130 men because three men may have broken the laws they were sworn to uphold.

The Editors.

## Quote

We (American Communists) know that a majority of our fellow Americans don't agree with us but we believe that in time a majority of Americans can be persuaded that socialism is, indeed, the answer to the country's basic needs. — Albert Lima, University of California's first authorized Communist speaker in 13 years.

## AFTER HOURS By John Morley

# Grave Danger for U. S. Seen in Test Ban Treaty

SAN DIEGO — It all began when the test-ban negotiations shifted from Geneva to Moscow. The treaty was then initiated in Moscow. We then fly back to sign it in Moscow. Some of our officials on the treaty negotiations remained to discuss other pacts . . . all in Moscow.

And why not in Washington? Since this treaty was conducted in Moscow . . . why not future negotiations be conducted in Washington? It appears below the dignity of the United States to permit such humiliation to our prestige.

We have handed Khrushchev a world-wide propaganda victory on a silver platter . . . by running back and forth to the Kremlin like his brow-beaten satellites. We have given credence to the phony Russian propaganda that communism is the pivot of world peace. It's a national disgrace.

We consider each Soviet promise with more curiosity than hope. This treaty is no exception. Some say it's the beginning of something big toward world betterment . . . but there is no precedent to support it. We have watched the phony Khrushchev smile off and on in Russia since 1931 . . . and it appears more phony than ever today.

The treaty went through because Khrushchev wanted it . . . not because we wanted it. He had compelling reasons . . . to make Russia appear as the communist base of world peace and Red China as the warmonger among the communist nations . . . the necessity to divert nuclear-rubles to his bankrupt economy . . . to split the NATO alliance through de Gaulle . . . and protect his advantage with the 100 megaton bomb, unequalled in our arsenal, among others.

The treaty contains inherent dangers to U. S. sovereignty . . . and scientific limitations to our defense and security.

The treaty preamble states that the principal aim of the contracting powers is . . . "the speediest possible achievement of an agreement on general and complete disarmament under strict international control in accordance with the objectives of the United Nations."

This means in plain language that the treaty is regarded by the Kennedy administration as a first and necessary step to complete and total disarmament, the probable sacrifice of our sovereignty and the turning over to the United Nations our future defense and security.

If the treaty is ratified by the Senate, and it appears likely, it will inflict upon us a menacing, momentous decision, weakening the very foundation of our Constitution, our sovereignty and freedom of decision.

The July 29, 1963, issue of News and World Report stated: "Heads of U.S. military services are unanimously opposed to the 'partial ban' on nuclear testing as the treaty provides. A strong report in opposition is being bottled up because of the effect it might have on public opinion."

Dr. Edward Teller, father of the H-bomb, leads the scientific opposition to the treaty. He charges that "it would endanger our security and help the Soviet Union in its plan to conquer the world because their experiments have ended on 100-megaton bombs and over . . . while nothing in our arsenal comes even close."

"The test ban," Dr. Teller says, "would prevent vital improvements of our atomic explosives, especially in the area of missile defense. The Russians have announced they have solved this problem . . . we have not."

"In the absence of testing, our defense will not improve because we need more knowledge concerning the use of nuclear defense and in the penetration of such defense. If the Russians install a satisfactory defense system while we are unable to do so, this will put us at the mercy of Soviet blackmail and aggression."

Furthermore, we had just started the development of clean and cheap nuclear ex-

plosives. We need more tests in the atmosphere to complete this development.

"The test ban," Dr. Teller continues, "will not interfere with Soviet progress. The difficulty in policing small underground explosions is known to all. Without on-site inspection the present Soviet concessions will certainly not permit the control or detection of small underground tests."

"Tests of small explosives are helpful in all branches of weapons development . . . and are very difficult to detect. Even bigger tests can be carried out secretly in space. In the closed Russian society such a maneuver is possible. It is not possible in the U. S. Only great and comprehensive on-site inspection can

guarantee the observance of a test ban."

Under this test ban it is not possible for the U. S. to develop a 100-megaton bomb, to match Russia. The U. S. Air Force Digest recently stated:

"A 100-megaton bomb and the capacity to place it in orbit, if detonated at orbital altitude, could set fire to a large portion of the U. S. This being the case, the Soviet Union has no immediate need for further testing, and the test-ban treaty will give them time to develop and build the Volstok fleet needed to carry these enormous bombs into world orbit."

"If the U. S. has not perfected the same weapon and the same method of delivery by the time Khrushchev has, then the survival of this nation will be in serious jeopardy."

## Our Man Hoppe

# Miss Amanda's Great Crusade

Art Hoppe

"Stamp out civil rights!" It was my good friend, Miss Amanda, national commander of "I", the superpatriotic stamping out society. "Preserve our glorious American heritage!"

I said Miss Amanda looked particularly fetching today, what with a new feather boa to match her tennis shoes. But why did she wish to stamp out civil rights?

"Civil rights," she announced with an ominous glare through her bifocals, "are a Communist plot!"

No! "Yes!" she snapped, clutching the cameo brooch of Senator Goldwater over her heart. "Our alert Southern governors and congressmen have exposed the whole nefarious, Kremlin-directed scheme of these civil rights agitators! Puppets of Moscow, that's what they are!"

The yare? "They are! Witnesses at the congressional civil rights hearings have presented incontrovertible evidence to prove it! From an unimpeachable source!" Unimpeachable? "Right!" cried Miss Amanda triumphantly. "The Communist Daily Worker!"

Very unimpeachable, I agreed. "Absolutely!" she said. "The evidence shows The Daily Worker is backing this civil rights agitation to the hilt! Therefore, anyone who is for civil rights is swallowing the Commie party line! Hook and sinker! Stamp out civil rights! Keep America free!"

A marvelous crusade, I said, and one that opened all sorts of new vistas. "It does?" exclaimed Miss Amanda, highly pleased. Right, I said. For example, here was a Daily Worker editorial in favor of more housing and schools. Should we not alert America to this Commie line?

"Stamp out housing!" cried Miss Amanda, her rheumy eyes a-sparkle. "Raze schools!" And here, I said, was a diatribe against despoliation of our natural resources. "Be patriotic!" she shouted, getting into the swing of things. "Kindle forest fires!"

And here, I said, leafing rapidly through my files, were a score supporting peace. "Crush peace!" And another on traffic safety. "Be a good American!" hollered Miss Amanda, waving her reticule around her head. "Bash a pedestrian today!"

Wait a minute, I said, coming up with a yellowed clipping from The Workers World. Here was one that would launch Miss Amanda on the most dramatic crusade of her career. The crusade that would prove her superpatriotism beyond shred of doubt, the crusade that . . .

"What's it say? What's it say?" cried Miss Amanda, clapping her fingerless lace gloves together excitedly. It says, I said somberly, that the plight of single, elderly females in our society was awful and something must be done for them.

"You mean . . ." she said suspiciously. Yes, I said. It was now up to her alone to save America. But she could count on my heartfelt support in this, her greatest crusade. Indeed, here was a placecard for her to bear aloft into battle, a placecard with a touchingly simple message: "STAMP OUT ME!"

It certainly touched Miss Amanda. "What are you, some kind of nut?" she yelled. And after breaking up the crusade—over my head—she stomped militantly out.

Well, I guess I never will understand these superpatriots. Do they want to help the country or don't they? (Distributed by Chronicle Features)

## Morning Report:

Look at that Rocky go. The experts say the New York governor isn't running too strongly with the GOP precinct captains. But matrimonially he is sweeping the nation.

Rockefeller's political troubles, you remember, began when he married a younger woman. Now, Henry Ford II has separated from Mrs. Ford, and according to the columnists is "seeing a loo" of a younger blonde. Then, Justice William O. Douglas, always a little ahead of the pack, divorced his wife and married a woman just half her age.

What it all boils down to is that Rocky may have scared a lot of older married women into switching candidates. But look at all the hope he has given to the younger lady voters.

Abe Mellinkoff